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~~The following Patent Cooperation Treaty utility patent application has a common assignee and contains some common disclosure: "Method, apparatus, and operating system for real time monitoring and management of patients' health status and medical treatment regimens," International Publication Number WO 98/38909, published 11 September 1998, Application Number PCT/US98/03933 by Kehr *et al.*, filed 6 March 1998 and incorporated herein by reference.~~ This application also claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 365 (c) from PCT application No. PCT/US98/03933 (WO 98/38909), published on Sept. 11, 1998 and having an international filing date of March 6, 1998, which in turn claims priority to the following U.S. applications: 60/068,473, filed Dec. 22, 1997; 08/955,952, filed Oct. 22, 1997; 08/924,917, filed Sept. 8, 1997; 60/051,389, filed July 1, 1997; 60/044,472, filed April 18, 1997 and 60/040,128, filed March 7, 1997. The subject matter of PCT application No. PCT/US98/03933 is incorporated herein by reference.